

# Hold Santa Claus Party For Children at Hirnie's Theatre

Standing room was at a premium at the Santa Claus party held Tuesday evening, when the children of town and district were treated to a free show and Santa treat by three local organizations, the Masons, Lions and Legion.

Starting at seven-thirty, a couple of short reel comedies were shown, then the lights in the theatre went on, and C. Scott and F. Hirtle led the group of children in a couple of short sing-songs. Mr. Heiran Wol-dum, president of the Lions Club, thanked the children for their sup-port, announced the three spon-soring bodies, and on behalf, thanked Mr. Doug Hirtle, through whom the theatre was provided without charge.

At this juncture Santa Claus ar-rived all cold and frozen from his long trip. The children were de-lighted, of course, and even more so when Santa personally led them in another sing-song. This over, he distributed treats to each of the children, assisted by C. Scott, A. Scott, F. Hiltion, and C. Coles.

Following the presentation, the draw was made for the Santa Claus doll which has been the subject of a guessing game, and Fred Hiltion declared the prize, which was only half a point away from the number in the bag. Since the bag was packed by Mrs. Hiltion, Mr. Hiltion declined the prize, which then went to C. Scott, one and a half points off.

The lights were turned down again, and a grand aboriginal of the Crosby, Bud Hope and Dorothy La-mour charmed the children and their parents for the rest of the program.

## Berry-Vale W.I. Elects Officers

The annual meeting of the Berry-Vale W.I. was held at the home of Mrs. T. Taylor on Dec. 16. Main business was the election of officers which are as follows: President—Mrs. J. Bazant, Vice-President—Mrs. L. Wise, 2nd Vice-President—Mrs. C. E. Way, Secretary—Mrs. T. Taylor, Treasurer—Mrs. D. Sarsana. Directors—Mrs. Y. Kearns, Mrs. Y. Godfrey, Mrs. E. Olsen. Auditors—Mrs. L. Hiltion, Mrs. P. Hiltion. Sick Committee—Mrs. D. Brook and Mrs. Doris Wegener. An exchange of Christmas gifts followed by a boun-tyous lunch brought a pleasant meeting to a close. Next meeting will be at the home of Mrs. L. Hiltion on January 13. Roll call will be a novelty afternoon with each member bringing something un-usual or historical and giving an ac-count of it.

## Skating Schedule Drawn up for Rink

Skating and hockey hours for the rink have been drawn up, and the schedule, which is posted at the rink, is as follows:

Sunday, skating: 4 to 4 p.m.; Mon-day, skating: 11:45 a.m. to 12:45; 6:45 p.m. to 9:30; hockey, 4 to 5:40; Tuesday, hockey, 4 to 5:15; Wednesdays, 7 to 8:15; Thursdays, 8:15 to 9:30; Intermediates; Wed-nesday, skating: 11:45 a.m. to 12:45; 4 to 5:30 p.m.; and 6:45 to 9:30; Thursday, skating: 6:45 p.m. to 8:15; hockey, 4 to 5:15 p.m.; Fridays, 8:30 to 9:30 Intermediates; Friday

## Frank Jones Passes At Ripe Age of 78

Benjamin Franklin Jones, 78, passed on at his home in Strathmore Tuesday morning, quite suddenly. Mr. Jones had complained of a sore chest, but was considered in good condition except for a slight cough.

Mr. Jones, who had a host of friends among the older residents of the district, had lived here more than thirty years, when he passed on. Born in Walkdon, Iowa, he and his wife moved to this country in 1909, where they started farming. After four years, they returned to Walkdon for a few years, then returned to this district in 1918. Since then, they have lived here continu-ously, and during latter years, when he was retired, Mr. Jones was a familiar sight to many friends on Main Street, as he walked down town daily, or as he sat on the porch in the summertime. He spent con-siderable time also in his garden.

A member of the Strathmore United Church, services will be conducted from this church on Fri-day afternoon at 2 by the Reverend A. A. Hamilton, with burial in the family plot in Strathmore cemetery. Mr. Jones was also a member of the Woodmen's Lodge.

Surviving are three sons, Lester of Strathmore, Carl of Donalds and Harold of Vancouver; two daugh-ters, Frances Jones of Strathmore, and Mrs. Hattie Jackson of Golden-dale, Wash.; five grandchildren.

## Choir, Organist Receive Presents

Following a very interesting ser-vice of sermon and music, members of the W.A. of the United Church entertained Rev. and Mrs. Hamilton the Choir and Mr. Benson at a so-cial hour in the Memorial Room Sat-urday evening. Coffee and sandwiches were enjoyed, after which Mrs. Garrett on behalf of the A. pre-sented Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton with a very fine and practical addition to their household necessities. This was followed by a gift to the organ-ist, Miss Jean Garrett and one to Mr. Benson, made on behalf of the W.A. by Mrs. Moore, Mrs. Kennedy, the president, assisting in each case. Warm appreciation was expressed by each recipient and by Dr. Griffen on behalf of the Choir.

At the same time, the music play-ing system has now been hooked up at the skating rink, and during cer-tain hours of skating, records are played for the enjoyment of those using the rink. This system also has a tremendous range, and has been heard clearly across the tracks in Hoffman subdivision.

The rink, Mr. Tench, supervisor of the rink, has kept a count of those attending, and reports that except the first of last week, when it was unusually cold, the attendance has kept well up.

## Essay Award Won By Brendan Quirin

Brendan Quirin received word on Monday night that he had been awarded a prize of \$25.00 in a Ki-wanah Club essay contest concluded recently. Subject of the essay was "Soil Conservation," and the con-test was open to students in Grades 9 to 12.

An invitation has been tendered to Brendan to attend a banquet for the winners in Calgary on Monday next, when the award will be made. Brendan, who is a son of Mr. and Mrs. George Quirin, is a student in Grade 9 at the Strathmore High School. He has lived in Strathmore all his life.

## Week of Prayer

The "Week of Prayer", (Jan. 2-9) will be observed this year by a cooperative effort on the part of the Protestant Clergy of the Bow Valley area with services held each day of the week as follows:

Monday, January 3rd, Gleichen United Church.  
 Tuesday, January 4th Langdon Baptist Church.  
 Wednesday, Jan. 5th, Strathmore Anglican Church.  
 Thursday, Jan. 6th, Carleton United Church.  
 Friday, Jan. 7th, (afternoon) Cluny (evening) Arrowwood.  
 The services will be at 8:00 p.m. each night with the exception of the afternoon at Cluny. Those plan-ning to take part are the Reverends Hiltion, D.A. Ford, and H.E. Reynolds.

## Local Post Office Staff Deluged

The Christmas season may be looked forward to by most people, but it's a big headache for the Mar-tin family at the Post Office. Heavies every Christmas than any other season, Rowe Martin felt this year's traffic was heavier than it had ever been.

He didn't have much idea of just how much mail was handled, but

### WITH RINGS ON HER FINGERS

"And bells on her toes," so the old song runs, and apparently she will have music every time she turns around. Strathmore hasn't quite come to that yet, but there does seem to be quite a bit of it about, what with the public address system at the skating rink, the am-plifier of Central Electric.

The latter arranged their record player amplifier to play Christmas music up the Main Street on Sat-urday afternoon and evening, and had sufficient volume to reach the top of the street quite easily. However, this proved too strong in their own vicinity, so they turned it down somewhat, more in keeping with the carols they were playing. Many comments were heard from town-people and visitors, all appreciat-ing the idea of the seasonal music.

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# Curling Club Holds Large Turkey Shoot

A very successful turkey shoot was held on Wednesday afternoon, when the Strathmore Curling Club drew crowds from miles around. Held near the vicinity of the roof-ice on the W.I.D. property at the cross-roads, well over a hundred and fifty people gathered for the day's fun. Crowds were in evidence from Calgary, as well as all the surrounding countryside.

Over nine hundred dollars was handled by the group, and it is felt

that they cleared something over \$350. Arrangements for the shoot were in the hands of Keith Baldwin, Lee Welshimer and Red McDougall; and the secretary, Leonard Hill, for the 22's, Len Wathen, and Lucien Fortems, and the raffle, J. Harwood, T.S. Hughes and Norman Jones.

## Lions Sing, Hear History of Carols

Christmas carols were the order of the day at the Lions Meeting on Tuesday evening last when Rev. A. A. Hamilton traced the history of a number of carols and had the group sing a number of them as his talk proceeded. Carols were origi-nally folk songs, Mr. Hamilton re-ported, and most of them were sang with the gusto which is common to such songs. In many instances, he stated, their origin was complet-ely lost.

A surprise dinner of hotcakes was served the group by Messrs. L. Hiltion, J. Baldwin, C. Harvey, and J. Vermont.

Visitors at the meeting included Cst. Nelson, RCMP, Mr. Bill Pawkes, Waughn Ostergaard, and Past Pres-ident of the group, George Ander-son, who was spending the day in Strathmore.

During the absence of the secre-tary and the treasurer, W. E. Spring (horpe fulfilled duties for both.

## Plan Election For Wheatland Trustee On January 7.

Election of trustee for sub-divi-sion one of the Wheatland School Division will take place on Friday, January 7. It was announced re-cently, H.C. Willson, secretary of the division, is busy making ar-rangements for polls, notices and bal-lots, so that all will be ready follow-ing the holiday break.

Candidates for the office for the next term are D.S. Brook, who is the retiring trustee, and L.O. Wheel-er, who was trustee for some time prior to the last term.

A.D. Pringle, S.R. Hunt, A.A. Ham-

## Celebrates 80th Year With Friends at Cluny

A number of friends gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Pawkes on Friday evening Dec. 17th the occasion being Mr. E. Bailey's 80th birthday. Mr. and Mrs. Bailey had been taken out for supper so Mr. Bailey was completely taken by surprise when the folk arrived for the evening and started singing Happy Birthday.

After a pleasant evening spent in playing bridge, whist, crib, and Chinese checkers, a sumptuous lunch was served.

Mr. Bailey was presented with a sweater, and as Mrs. Bailey had a birthday very recently she was presented with silk hose.

Miss Barbara Raymond, who has been attending Variety in Vancouver, will spend the holidays with her parents.

A little excitement came up Sat-urday night when Arnold Herman's car caught fire, the fire bell ringing out some of the folk in their night shirts.

Curling club started out with the Pres. and Vice-Pres. playing the first game, the latter having to pay for the refreshments.

Mr. Harold Beattie, who has been in Lloydminster and Vermilion with the A.P. construction crew, is home for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Dutch Schelski had a few friends in on Sunday night to help Mr. Schelski celebrate his birthday.

Miss Audrey Jones, who has been attending Mount Royal College, is home for the holidays.

TRAINS NEW SCHEDULE	
WEST BOUND	
No. 1	9:20 p.m.
No. 2	7:05 a.m.
EAST BOUND	
No. 1	8:07 a.m.
No. 2	9:40 p.m.

# Dance the New Year In at Cluny "Ma" Trainor

## Trees and Lights Decorate Town

Strathmore's Main Street has once more taken on its Christmas air, but it is a little more bright this season than heretofore. The strings of coloured lights which have been a feature in years past are strung once again, and the Christmas tree at the intersection of the top of Main Street is also in place. This year, however, it is surrounded at the base by ice, through which the lights reflect in soft colours. After the first tree was pulled down by vandals, a larger, and more

suitable tree was erected in its place. The tree was placed by the Town Landyman, and a committee from the Council, P. Siemens, and A.A. Baldwin.

In addition, the large evergreen in front of the Memorial Hall has been lit this year, and adds a little more light to the upper end of the Street. Lights are to be seen in many store windows, and in many homes about the town, rounding out a picture of general festive air.

THE SEASON'S GREETINGS TO ALL  
A MERRY Christmas and a Happy New Year

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STRATHMORE



This is PAT O'HOLEY

It's funny, says Norman Jones, that a woman who can spot a blond hair on your coat at ten paces can't see a pair of garage doors.

Jack Bremner on an ocean voyage was assigned to a seat in the dining salon opposite a Frenchman whom he had never met, and Jack looked forward to meeting him at the first meal. When he arrived at his seat, the Frenchman was already at the table. As Bremner started to sit down, the Frenchman got up, bowed and said, "Bon Appetit". To which Bremner rose, bowed and said, "Jack Bremner". This went on for about three meals. Finally, Jack sought out the Chief Steward and said, "I can't figure out my tablemate. Every time I come to the table, he gets up and says, "Bon Appetit"—what does that mean?" The steward laughed. "Why, he's just being polite. When he says to you 'Bon Appetit' he means 'good appetite to you'." Bremner was now

happy. At the next meal, he was said "Bon Appetit". Whereupon first at the table. As the Frenchman the Frenchman rose, bowed and arrived, Jack arose, bowed and replied "Jack Bremner".

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we extend  
best wishes for a

# MERRY CHRISTMAS

AND A

# HAPPY NEW YEAR

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# CHRISTMAS

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# A Glow at Christmas

There are several ways of getting a warm glow at Christmas time. Perhaps you will share our way, by reading once again the classic half-century-old reply of the New York Sun to the little girl who wanted to know if there really was a Santa Claus.

"Dear Editor: I am nine years old. Some of my friends say there is no Santa Claus. Papa says if you see it in the Sun, it's so. Please tell me the truth; is there a Santa Claus?"

—Virginia O'Hanlon.

"Virginia, your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the scepticism of a sceptical age. They do not believe except what they see. They think that nothing

can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's, are little. In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect, an ant in his intellect as compared with the boundless world about him, as measured by the intelligence capable of grasping the whole world of truth and knowledge.

"Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give to our life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! How dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus. It would be as dreary as if there were no Vir-

ginias. There would be no child-like faith then, no poetry, no romance, to make tolerable this existence. We should have no enjoyment, except in sense and sight. The eternal light with which child-hood fills the world would be extinguished.

"Not believe in Santa Claus! You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's no proof that they are not out there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all

the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world.

"You might tear apart baby's rattle and see what makes the noise inside, but there is a veil covering the unseen world which not the strongest man, nor even the united strength of all the strongest men that ever lived, could tear apart. Only faith, fancy, poetry, love, romance, can push aside the curtain and view and picture the supernal beauty and glory beyond. Ah, Virginia, in all this world there is nothing else real and abiding.

"No Santa Claus! Thank God he lives and he lives forever. A thousand years from now he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood."



This Christmas we can proudly say that Alberta's greatest hydro-electric development is under way. Work has commenced on the actual construction of the giant Spray Lakes power project. This project will develop 100,000 h.p. of Electrical Energy. It will provide power for Alberta's new and growing industries, as well as help assure the continued rapid extension of Electrical Service to Alberta farms, which is already proceeding faster than in any other Western province.

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## UNDER THE STREETLAMP

by PAT O'HOOLEY

Six year old Billy Tew rushed into the living-room on Christmas morning, ahead of his brother and sisters. The gifts were put into separate piles to keep the children from opening each other's presents. When his mother said, "Bill, this is your pile," His eyes bulged. "Boy!" he breathed, "I hit the jack pot!"

Every time history repeats itself, according to George Risdon, prices go up.

Night Watchman: "Have you any explanation for wandering around drunk at this time of night?" Ted Slater: "Shay—if I had an explanation I'd a gone home to my wife hours ago."

Lady: "A big man like you might be better occupied than in cruelly catching poor little fish." Don Dougan: "Could be, lady, but if this fish had kept his mouth shut he wouldn't be here."

Six year old Bert Roberts was quizzing his mother on the subject of ancestors. Sadly he learned that there was a striking lack of grandparents in the family.

"But haven't I a grandfather on your side?" he asked.

"No, Bert. He died and went to Heaven."

It was the same with grandma, and his other grandfather. They were in Heaven, too.

"Well, how about my other grandma? Where's she?"

"She's in Heaven, too, Bert."

The child was silent for a moment. There was something he couldn't understand. "All in Heaven," he repeated. "Gee, Mom, haven't I got any relations in Hell?"

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A Very Merry Christmas  
and

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## Gleichen Pair Wed In Calgary Ceremony

A wedding of interest to Gleichen and community was solemnized on Saturday, Dec. 11 at St. Mary's Vestry at Calgary, when Miss Bernice Krause, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. Krause, became the bride of Campbell Evans, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Evans. The happy couple will reside in their home in Gleichen.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Wilson, who have been touring the U.S.A. for several weeks, returned home recently from their holidays looking happy and feeling fine. They had a wonderful holiday.

Mrs. T. Brown accompanied E. Young of Basano to Calgary Sunday to visit their mother Mrs. Young, who is ill in the Holy Cross hospital in Calgary.

A total of \$139.85 was collected by members of the Eastern Star for the Cancer Society. The lodge wishes to thank all who donated to the cause.

Gleichen young people attending school elsewhere are starting to return home for the season's holidays. The first are Miss Ethel Bates and

Thursday, Dec. 23, 1948 — THE STRATHMORE STANDARD —

## Standard Lad Married in Toronto Church

Wycliffe College Chapel was the setting Friday, Dec. 17, at 7 p.m. for the marriage of Ruth Geraldine Kitcher, only daughter of Mrs. Eric Kitcher and the late Mr. Kitcher of Toronto, to Roy Leon Rasmussen, older son of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Rasmussen of Standard, Alta., with Rev. Dr. R.N.A. Haslem officiating. The church was decorated with tall standards of mums.

Given in marriage by her uncle, Mr. Albert E. Kitcher, the bride Donald Hunter.

Miss Pauline Roueche, who has been in Vancouver for the last four months, has returned and taken a position in Herd's store.

Miss E. Bates is assisting in the Gleichen Post Office during the busy season.

Mrs. Dick Thomas left by train Tuesday for Hokinville, Kentucky where she will holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jake Bollinger, a sister and other relatives.

wore a white velvet and alencon lace gown with fitted bodice and full skirt flowing into a train. Her full length Brussels lace veil was held in place by a coronet of orange blossoms, and she carried a cascade of star light roses and carnation petals, all in white. Maid of honor was Hillary Joan Slater wearing a gold velvet gown, and bridesmaids were Ruth Kissick and Marguerite Arnold in laurel green velvet gowns.

The best man was Howard Ras-

## Cluny Notes

by Mrs. M. C. B.

A number of the ladies of the community put on a shower in the club room on Dec. 14 with Miss Florence Gibeau a bride elect of the near future as guest of honor. In spite of the bitter cold a goodly number of friends turned out.

The afternoon was pleasantly spent in contests and social chatting.

The dining room tables were beautifully decorated for the delicious lunch after which Florence was presented with a decorated basket filled with gifts both beautiful and useful, which were presented by Mrs. R. Burns. Miss Gibeau thanked the ladies in a few well chosen words.

Miss Alice Nowicki who has been attending Varsity in Edmonton will spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alta Berber and daughters from Calgary were Thursday visitors at the Reimche home.

Mr. and Mrs. G. Smith of Basano spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. Watson.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Fairbourne spent a couple of days in Calgary last week and will spend the holiday with their daughter Mrs. J. Liang of Altario.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Speid and Mr. and Mrs. B. Reimche were Sunday guests at the home of Mrs. L. Stewart.

munson, brother of the groom, and the ushers were Arthur Slater and Don Porterfield.

A reception was held at the Women's Art Club with the bride's mother receiving in a cadet blue gown with a corsage of pink briar-rose and matching hat trimmed with ostrich tips. For the wedding trip to the groom's home at Standard the bride wore a stage-coach grey gown under a minkrat coat, and a green feathered hat with accessories to match.

After the wedding trip the couple will return to Toronto where the groom will complete his studies at the University of Toronto Dental College. The bride is a recent graduate of the Women's College Hospital of Toronto.

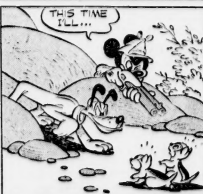
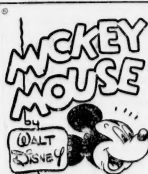
# New Year's Eve DANCE

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Cards of Thanks, In Memoriam notices, 50 cents per insertion not exceeding five lines. Over five lines 10 cents per count line. Suggested In Memoriam notices may be obtained on application to the Strathmore Standard.

## IN MEMORIAM

### TAYLOR

In loving Memory of my dear son Eric John Taylor, who passed away Dec. 22, 1947, and was laid to rest in Strathmore Cemetery. "Ever remembered."

Mrs. John Taylor and Family

## CARD OF THANKS

My sincere Thanks to everyone who so kindly remembered me during my illness. — Wishing you all Health and Happiness in the New Year. Emmy Hansen

## FOR SALE

**FOR SALE: 8 ROOM, TWO STORY** Frame House in Strathmore. Apply J. W. Giffen. 625tf.

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**FOR SALE—1947 MERCURY 14** Sedan. Fully equipped, nice condition. Robert Jackson, Strathmore, phone 908. 2d23p.

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**FOR SALE: REGISTERED SHORT** horn Bull, 10 months old. Phone R916, Ray Green, Standard. 3d30p.

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**FOR SALE—2 CRIBS, 1 LARGE,** 1 small. Phone 62, Strathmore. 2d30p.

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**FOR SALE—CERTIFIED AND RE-**gistered Laramie Oaks, Victory Oaks and Marquis Wheat. Apply W.D. Office. 4d1tf.

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**STRAYED TO MY PLACE ABOUT** a week ago, cow branded left ribs OQ bar. Phone 313, W. Lawson, Carleton Place, and pay for ad. 4d2tf.

**STRAYED FROM 1 MILE N.** of Cheadle, 1 long yearling, branded rt hip as cut. May be an entire animal. Phone 1066, W.A. Layercraft, Strathmore. 3d36c.

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## WANTED

**WANTED—100 PULLETS, LEG** horns or New Hamp. \$1.00 apiece. Apply Box 32, Cheadle. 4d11tf.

## "WANTED"

Information as to the whereabouts of Kathryn Walker also known as Kathryn Stone.

Please write T. G. B. Walker, CARDROSS, Saskatchewan. 3d23c.

Regular clinics for infant and preschool children are held by the Wheatland Health District from 2:00 to 4:00 p.m. Strathmore the second and fourth Tuesday in each month. Carleton Place the second Friday in each month. Standard the third Thursday in each month. Rockyford the third Friday in each month.

New year's dance at Namaka Community Hall, Wednesday, Jan. 4. Jack Bremner's Orchestra. 3d30c.

Bow River Hiding Social Credit Nominating Convention at Irricana, Bill's Hall, on Wednesday Jan. 5th 1949 at 1:30 p.m. F. D. Shaw, M.P. Guest Speaker. Come and bring your written resolutions.

## Rural Gleichen

The third meet of the Gleichen Ladies Curling Club was held on Sunday afternoon Dec. 13th at the home of Mrs. R.W. Brown with about 30 members present.

The date for the fowl supper and dance to be held after the New Year, was set tentatively for Burn's night, Jan. 25th.

Nine rinks were drawn up, and are ready to begin curling toward the end of the week.

## Message from

## The Reeve of M.D.

The Council of the M.D. of Bow Valley No. 40 extends its thanks to all its ratepayers who so patiently suffered inconveniences through snow-blocked roads, excessive plowing wait-outs and seasonal delays in the making of roads possible during the season of 1948. We take this opportunity to put aside those worries and in real sincerity wish our ratepayers, and our whole staff, a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

James Harwood, Reeve.

## Bow Valley

Minutes of the Meeting of the Council of the Municipal District of Bow Valley No. 40, held in the Municipal Office, Strathmore, Tuesday, December 14th, 1948, commencing at 10:30 a.m.

Present were Reeve James Harwood, Deputy Reeve John A. MacArthur, and Councillor J. M. Wheatley.

Moved by MacArthur that Councillor J. M. Wheatley act on the Finance Committee in the absence of Messrs. Jackson and Keer. Carried.

Moved by Wheatley that the Honorable David A. Ure, Minister of Agriculture, be written, re our payment of the funeral expenses of a Displaced Person, Lucjan Dabrowski, and our complaint be explained to him. Carried.

Moved by Wheatley that we recommend that Mr. Harry Gustafson be granted a license to operate the fuel oil business at Chancellors, formerly operated by Mr. C.V. Madson. Carried.

Moved by Wheatley that the Cash Statement for the month of November be read.

# Farmer's Column

R. J. Milligan, District Agriculturist

Last week I discussed some phases of weeds and their control. This week the cost factor is discussed. The costs of weeds to the farmer.

ber showing a Net Balance of \$31, 42.55 be received and embargo in the e minutes. Carried.

BY-LAW No. 109 Providing for a Grant of \$100.00 to the Salvation Army for their Home Rescue Work was read a first and second time and carried each reading.

Moved by MacArthur that Councillor James Harwood be a committee to look into the placing of Fire Insurance on our power machinery, while under repairs or in storage. Carried.

Moved by Wheatley that Mr. J. B. Headlin be offered \$20.00 per acre for the land taken for road diversion on N.C.K. N.W. 25, and N.C.K. S. 26-23-21-4th, and an extra \$3.00 per acre for the portion of land summer-fallowed, if any. Carried.

Moved by Wheatley that we purchase Two Cabs for Caterpillars at \$170.00 each, and that Reeve Harwood be a Committee to make the purchase and have them installed on tractors in readiness for snow-plowing. Carried.

Moved by MacArthur that our workmen's winter wages be at the same rate as paid during the summer season of 1948. Carried.

is evident in such items as decrease and increased cultivation costs, the loss of income from crop yield reduction due to weed infestations is not as evident. Results from experiments in various sections of the west have shown that even a weed like stinkweed, when abundant, has reduced yields up to fifty per cent. Such yield reductions usually are not given serious consideration because they do not involve an actual cash outlay by the farmer, but they do back large in their effect on total income.

Crop yield reduction by weeds is the result of competition for sunshine, nutrients and water. All these factors are important, but water is probably the most important in the now-irrigated sections of the prairies.

Let us consider the water requirements of wheat and weeds. The water requirement of a plant is the amount of water it absorbs to produce one pound of dry matter. This quantity of water varies with different conditions of climate and soil, as well as the plant species. In work done by Briggs and Shanty in Colorado several years ago, the water requirement for wheat was found to be 513 pounds, for Russian Thistle 336 pounds, and for Lamb's Quarters 80 pounds. It is evident from these figures that weeds do use water. With a limited water supply, it is obvious that

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## What Does the Farmer Want for Christmas

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Even when we grow up we are such little children in that there are so many things we think we would like to have. It seems that everyone in society continually is asking for more and more without giving up thought to the fact that there may be a limit to what even a big Santa Claus can manage to give.

We know that there isn't any Santa Claus in real life even at Christmas. In the final analysis it is Dad's pocketbook that pays. And is not the same thing true throughout our relationships in society where never anything that costs money is concerned? In the final analysis we pay for what we get.

What then does the farmer really want for Christmas? If one reads the newspaper it is easy to arrive at the conclusion that the farmer wants more money. But is that the real answer? The writer isn't sure of the answer but has the feeling that more money is not the basic thing the farmer wants after. It is not that the farmer really wants recognition, acknowledgement of the fact that for too long he has been looked upon as the lower member of our social group whereas in reality he is one of the most important members of human society? If this recognition became a reality, if the importance of the farmer in national and international life became an accepted fact, that would be the best Christmas present the farmer could get.

That's the Christmas present we would give to the farmer. We aren't Santa Claus and can't promise him this present for this year but we believe he will get it some day soon and be pleased with it when it comes.

All members of the Staff of the Experimental Station, Lethbridge, join in wishing all our friends, farmers and others alike, a very Merry Christmas.

### CHINESE PASSES IN GLEICHEN

The death occurred at Gleichen Tuesday of Eng Fat, 59, of 237 10th Ave. E.

Mr. Eng was born in Canton, China, and had lived in Calgary 20 years.

Services in Jacques' funeral home will be conducted by Rev. Yee Tong Friday at 2-15 p.m. Interment will be in the Chinese cemetery.

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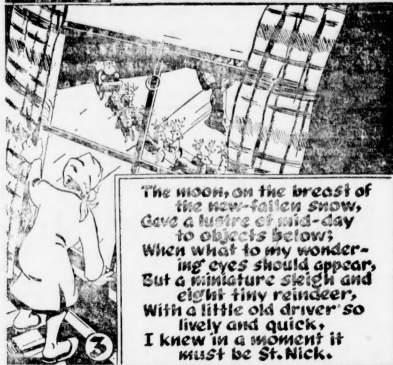


'Twas the night before Christmas,  
when all through the house  
Not a creature was stirring,  
not even a mouse;  
The stockings were hung by  
the chimney with care,  
In hopes that St. Nicholas  
soon would be there;  
The children were nestled all  
snug in their beds,  
While visions of sugar-plums  
danced through their heads.





And mamma in her kerchief,  
and I in my cap,  
Had settled our brains for  
a long winter's nap,  
When out on the lawn there  
rose such a clatter,  
I sprang from my bed to  
see what was the matter.  
Away to the window I flew  
like a flash,  
Tore open the shutters  
and threw up the sash.



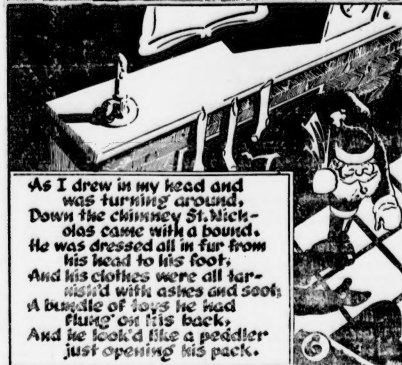
The moon, on the breast of  
the new-fallen snow,  
Gave a lustre of mid-day  
to objects below;  
When what to my wonder-  
ing eyes should appear,  
But a miniature sleigh and  
eight tiny reindeer,  
With a little old driver so  
lively and quick,  
I knew in a moment it  
must be St. Nick.



More rapid than eagles his  
coursers they came,  
He whistled and shouted,  
and called them by name:  
"Now, Dasher! now, Dancer! now,  
Prancer! now, Vixen!  
On, Comet! on, Cupid! on, Dender  
and Blitzen!—  
To the top of the porch, to  
the top of the wall!  
Now, dash away, dash away,  
dash away all!"



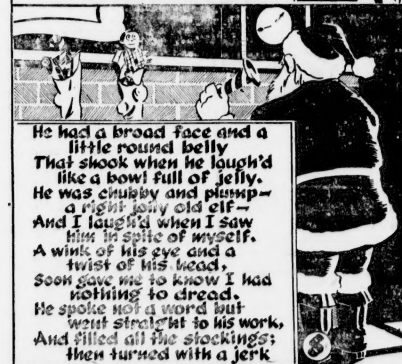
As dry leaves that before  
the wild hurricane fly,  
When they meet with an ob-  
stacle, mount to the sky,  
So, up to the house-top the  
coursers they flew,  
With the sleigh full of toys  
and St. Nicholas too,  
And then in a twinkling I  
heard on the roof,  
The prancing and pawing  
of each little hoof.



As I drew in my head and  
was turning around,  
Down the chimney St. Nich-  
olas came with a bound.  
He was dressed all in fur from  
his head to his foot,  
And his clothes were all tar-  
nished with ashes and soot,  
A bundle of toys he had  
flung on his back,  
And he looked like a peddler  
just opening his pack.



His eyes how they twinkled!  
his dimples how merry!  
His cheeks were like roses,  
his nose like a cherry.  
His droll little mouth was  
drawn up like a bow,  
And the beard on his chin  
was as white as the snow.  
The stump of his pipe he  
held tight in his teeth,  
And the smoke, like a wreath,  
encircled his head like a wreath.



He had a broad face and a  
little round belly  
That shook when he laugh'd  
like a bowl full of jelly.  
He was chubby and plump—  
a right jolly old elf—  
And I laugh'd when I saw  
him in spite of myself.  
A wink of his eye and a  
twist of his head,  
Soon gave me to know I had  
nothing to dread.  
He spoke not a word but  
went straight to his work,  
And filled all the stockings;  
then turned with a jerk



And laying his finger aside  
of his nose,  
And giving a nod, up the  
chimney he rose,  
He sprang to his sleigh, to  
his team gave a whistle,  
And away they all flew like  
the down of a thistle!  
But I heard him exclaim, ere  
he drove out of sight,  
"Happy Christmas to all  
and to all a good-night!"

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First, be sure you know exactly what you want to say. If you don't, you'll have difficulty putting your thoughts into words. And they will sound vague, unimpressive and perhaps even confusing to listeners. So reduce your ideas to simple, basic form. Get the "heart" of the idea clear in your own mind.

Next, choose your words carefully. Say precisely what you mean.

Your manner and voice, too, can add to the effectiveness of your speech. Look directly at your hearers. Speak in a clear, firm voice. Never mumble.

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## Farmers Column

weeds will reduce the amount of water available for use by crop plants, with a consequent reduction in crop yield.

number of pounds of water a plant

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B. HAMBLAY, Prop.

Any means taken to reduce weed infestation before the crop is seeded will help to increase the amount of water available for the crop. Should the weed infestation persist after the crop is seeded and be of serious proportion, the use of a selected weed killer such as 2, 4-D is worthy of consideration.

Weeds have other correlated influences. For example, such insects as the Cut Worm, Moth and some species of Grasshoppers will lay their eggs surrounding a weed on summer fallowed fields. To help combat outbreaks of these insects summerfallow must be clean. With the Cut Worm cultivation must be completed by July 15th to permit the surface of the soil to crust, which prevents the moth from laying her eggs. This she normally does during the last three weeks of August and 1st week of September. Entomologists suggest that fields in fallow should not be disturbed until after the first of September. The control of weeds therefore is closely correlated with insect control. If the field can be lightly cultivated to expose all grasshopper eggs at the end of September many will be dried out by the sun and not hatch out the following spring. Such a shallow cultivation will leave the trash on the surface to prevent soil drifting.

According to the 1949 grasshopper map, taken from the findings of eggs and adults located last fall which indicates that most of this Municipality "Box Valley No. 40" is infected from slight to severe with grasshoppers. Forewarned is forearmed.



## Church Notes

STRATHMORE UNITED CHURCH  
11:00 a.m. Sunday School  
7:30 p.m. Public Worship.  
Namaka:  
2:00 p.m. Church Service and Sunday School.

SACRED HEART CHURCH  
Midnight Mass Strathmore.  
Carleland:  
Mass at 10:00 Christmas.

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Lyalta 3:00 p.m. and 3rd  
Kathryn 7:30 p.m. Sundays

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ANGELICAN PARISH OF  
STRATHMORE — GLEICHEN  
Christmas Eve, 1948

Christmas Eve:  
11:15 p.m. Carols and Holy Communion—Strathmore.  
Christmas Day:  
8:30 a.m. Holy Communion—Strathmore.  
11:00 a.m. Holy Communion—Gleichen.  
St. Stephen's Day—December 26:  
8:30 a.m. Holy Communion—Strathmore.  
12:00 noon Family Service—Gleichen.  
2:00 p.m. Holy Communion—Nightingale.  
5:00 p.m. Family Service—Strathmore (with slides, "Christmas Blessings")  
(No 7:30 p.m. service)

CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS  
for the CHRISTMAS SEASON  
Lutheran Church at Standard.  
M. Jorgensen, Pastor.

Sunday, Dec. 19. 7:00 Christmas Caroling.  
Christmas Day, Saturday, Dec. 25.  
11:00 Festive service.  
Sunday, Dec. 26. 2:00 Danish Christmas gathering. 8:00 The Y.P.S.'s Christmas party.  
Tuesday, Dec. 28. 1:30 Children's Christmas tree.  
New Years Day Saturday, Jan. 1.  
11:00 Communion Service, English.  
Sunday, Jan. 10-30 Communion Service, Danish.



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## A Christmas Message

REV. A. D. PRINGLE  
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Before His birth, Mary's anticipation, full of a wonderful faith surprise, rings out clearly in the words of the great prophet: "My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit doth rejoice in God, my Saviour." But do we sense a dimming of elation as the years pass and household and family cares increase? I think we notice this in His words at 12 years of age: "Wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business?" and again when He in His mature years seems to express a disappointment in our unreading to go with Him at the way, in His reverence to His Mother and His brethren — they are still and a ways "without" as far as His identity and mission are concerned. What can we see in the beauty of the face of the newly born, and even follow this with the happy cradle side thoughts. Too many a child never attains its possibilities because too many a parent fails to retain his or her expectations.

## Christmas thoughts by an unnamed disciple

When I read that lovely story of Christmas — the lowly birth of Jesus: when I read of his many deeds in later years of his life; or see him agonising on the Cross in his all-conquering love for men, then Christmas is repeated in my soul.

Or when I see him as he breathes into ostentatious and tyrannical systems a spirit of tender respect for humanity; see him stir up in men's hearts a passion to aid the weak, the helpless and needy; or counsel forgiveness for erring, straying and offending humans. I see God in every cradle and hear Christ speaking words of comfort and encouragement even "unto the least of these."

Oh! I see his spirit in history transforming brutal and heartless institutions and practices into helpful and benevolent ones; or see him as today he is pleading with the nations to settle their differences by substituting the practices and ties of brotherhood for the brute forces of war; when I contemplate his ever-increasing power over the hearts of men working for human uplift I am carried back into the hills of Judea to hear the song of the angels sounding clear in the midnight hours of human destiny: "peace on earth among men of good will."

That's Christmas! Christ's spirit coming into all life. Its lessons bid me follow his example and pour forth my life in service to others as he poured out his. Life is all made more beautiful and complete as it is lived in the spirit of unselfishness and sharing. But the beauty of life is likewise marred and its fullness becomes a hollow thing when governed by the spirit of selfishness and getting. Therefore I must seek to follow his footsteps and walk in such ways as he walked — from the lowly manger to the utter self-sacrifice of the Cross. Then I shall also share with him in the glory of the resurrection morn. Christmas and Easter are one: They both spell Emmanuel: God with us and in us. And the real significance comes to us in fullness when we find that newness of life which can be lived only in the presence and companionship of the Eternal God. Christmas: God's spirit coming to earth in human clay.

## Local News Items

Miss Frances Gray spent last week-end visiting friends in Edmonton.

Mr. Art Bremner of Shoultice was in Strathmore for a couple of days visiting his family and friends.

## TRAINS SCHEDULE

WEST BOUND—  
No. 1 ..... 9:20 p.m.  
No. 3 ..... 7:05 a.m.  
EAST BOUND—  
No. 2 ..... 8:07 a.m.  
No. 4 ..... 9:40 p.m.

## GREYHOUND SCHEDULE—

Going West—12:22 p.m.  
Going East—5:32 p.m.

Thursday, Dec. 23, 1948 — THE STRATHMORE STANDARD

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## al News Items

Mrs. Fonger had as the weekend the rat-y and wife, Mr. and Mrs. of Devon, Alberta.

Mrs. Ed. Hamilton leave weekend for Wexsaw, they will spend Christmas, Hamilton's parents.

H. C. Cray had trouble with pump last Saturday, when it failed to function. Together with Kermack, they pulled the cause, and soon found where the difficulty lay, so that it's working again.

A number of Strathmore and district university students have arrived home for the Christmas break. Included among them are Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Hanson, Walter Boissevain, David Quirin and Mr. and Mrs. May Bower.

Mrs. Conybeare of Edmonton will come to spend the Christmas holidays with her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Maynard Conybeare.

Mayor and Mrs. Patrick will spend Christmas day with Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Patrick at Revelstoke. Later they will go on to the Coast for a week's holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Van der Velde and Grandson M. Chilton arrived home after receiving Medical treatment at Mayo Clinic at Rochester, Minn.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kenney will be on Friday for their home, to end the holiday season there.

Mrs. A. Goaling and Mrs. W. Mil-Sir, left for a three month's trip England to visit relatives and friends. We wish them a happy and journey.

Sid Coldwell left Sunday for on, B.C., where she will visit laughter Betty, for some time.

Mrs. John Buchner and y will leave this week-end for lyn, Saskatchewan, where they spend Christmas with Mr. ner's family.

Mr. W.D. Maclean and son Hec will arrive from Calgary over the weekend to spend Christmas at the home of Mrs. A. M. Moore.

George Lockie is at home with a serious cold in the chest these days, and while he is off duty, Frank Bisacre has been relieving at the counter in the garage.

Miss Jean Kermack, who arrived home from business college a few days ago, is helping relieve the Christmas rush at the UFA Co-op.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Damsen left the middle of this week for Armstrong, B.C., where they will spend Christmas with their daughter, Anne. Their son, John, will also join the family group.

Mr. Carl Jones arrived in Strathmore on Tuesday from Donaldis, called here by the passing of his father, Mr. Frank Jones.

Many members of the local troop of the Reserve Army drove up to Calgary on Tuesday evening for a partial pay parade just before Christmas. Following the pay period, there was a turkey shoot in the range in the basement.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Gilbert will leave on Friday for Stettler, where they will spend the Christmas season.

Mr. Fred Petzel arrived home last week after spending a couple of weeks holiday at Regina.

Mrs. Alice Polley and Beverly are down from Edmonton for the Christmas holiday at home.

Miss Lazelie Sander is home for the Christmas holiday.

Mrs. Ray Snider and two sons, Lynn and Desmond, left this week for Nipawin, Saskatchewan, where they will spend the Christmas break.

Miss M. MacKay of Edmonton will arrive in Strathmore on Friday to spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Thurston and Robert.

Mrs. L. Lea gave a tea in honour of Mr. A. Goaling and Mrs. W. Miller before their departure for England.

Members of the senior young people's gathered on Tuesday evening at a farewell party for two of their group, Miss Barbara Davidson and Miss Eleanor Morris, who are leaving the teaching staff here at Christmas.

## ShowerG'chenNurse

Dr. and Mrs. Roppel entertained Saturday evening at a miscellaneous shower in honour of Miss Gertrude Van Haaren, R.N., whose marriage to Wayne Bigelow takes place next month. All the reserve staff with a few friends from town were invited. The evening was spent in playing parlour games and in com-munally singing after which gifts were displayed around an illuminated teepee.

The young couple suitably thanked guests for their lovely gifts. Miss Van Haaren has been on the staff of the Blackfoot Hospital for three years. A delicious lunch was served by the hostess.

A large crowd attended a dance and Chalmers at Meadowbrook Friday evening for Mr. and Mrs. R.J. Burne, and Mr. and Mrs. E. Douglas, who were recently married.

## UFWA Hostile Against Duck Ravages

At the annual convention of U.F.W.A. in Calgary, delegates took up seriously the matter of destruction of crops by duck. The two main speakers were Mrs. H. C. Douglas of Vulcan and Mrs. G. B. Linehart of Kimball, but from all parts of Alberta came reports of damage done in incredibly short space of time. One delegate reported 2,000 bushels of grain lost on a half section in Vulcan district. The swiftness of the damage done before a farmer has time to get a license was mentioned.

It was not felt that paying insurance to cover damage was the complete answer if the government had to pay it, and that compensation did not save the wheat. The ducks were compared to kophers in the sense that they were real pests in certain areas.

Another topic bringing lively discussion was the heating of rural homes, and the question was raised as to why with all the gas in Alberta more of it cannot be made available for rural domestic use. Mention was made of propane, but this was considered too costly for most people. Some women spoke of gas right on their own land, but unable to get it piped to the house. The resolution asked that the U.F.W.A. approach the government to make modern heating methods more readily available to rural people at reasonable rates.

A resolution advocated that all active service veterans regardless of age be entitled to land grants. Another supported a price of \$2 a bushel f.o.b. Ft. William as an objective of the wheat agreement.

Rural housing was a topic of discussion, with reference to the Rural Housing committee which is making available detailed plans and lists of costs for farm buildings.

Education was another much discussed topic. Resolutions asked for abolishment of department examination fees, and asked revision of the list from which supplementary reading in high school is framed.

It was felt that rural education had not advanced as it should have done to keep pace with progress in other fields. Today's farming requires broad specialized training. Practical courses in agriculture, farm mechanics, shop work and so on were advocated. Spelling and writing were found to be weak points of many students.

The question of immigration was discussed, and it was pointed out that in 1946, there were 71,719 immigrants to Canada, 5,771 entering Alberta. In 1946 more than 1% of immigrants were female mostly classified as domestics. The important thing is the type of immigrant received. During the first six months of 1948, there were 18,000 Polish immigrants and possibly 10,000 Germans will be brought over through the Lutheran and German Baptist groups in Canada. There are about 10,000 Dutch expected who are people with money and there are priority bookings for 12,000 British subjects.

## Langdon Notes

BY MRS. F. D.

The Odd Fellows and Rebecca Lodges held a Christmas party Friday evening with about 65 in attendance. Games played provided lots of fun and several laughs. Santa made his appearance and busied himself unloading the tree laden with gifts, nuts and candy. Lunch was served. Dancing followed; reports are the floor is not too bad. During the evening the draw was made for the turkey and roaster that was raffled by the Rebecca's. Allen Warrack was the lucky winner of the turkey and Miss Edna Grove of Castor won the roaster.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Stevens are rejoicing in the birth of a son, Murdoch John, Dec. 14th.

## Stobart Notes

Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Tower and Bonnie returned Tuesday after a two week holiday at the Coast visiting relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. P. Tower entertained a few friends at their new home Saturday night.

Mrs. Ed. Holland was a Calgary visitor Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. McBean entertained approximately forty guests Monday evening, on the occasion of their 22nd wedding anniversary.

Among Calgary shoppers from this district during the week were Mr. and Mrs. E. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. Saue, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. McBean, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Ferguson, Mrs. Lilja, Andy Johnson, and Mr. and Mrs. Foster.

The furnace men are starting to install a furnace in the new house of Mr. Ed. Wentrom on Main Street.

The card party sponsored by the Odd Fellows Monday night drew only a small crowd. Five tables were in play. High score going to Allen Warrack and Shirley Warrack. Loss to Louise Dain and George Wintrom.

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